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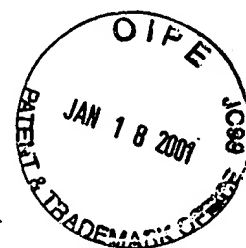
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Re: Application of Isamu KURISAWA  
COLLECTOR FOR STORAGE BATTERY, STORAGE BATTERY COMPRISING THE SAME, AND  
PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF  
Our Ref: Q62718

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter I of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application (38 pages, including claims and Abstract).
- ☒ nine (9) sheets of drawings.
- ☒ Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Document.
- ☒ an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ International Search Report.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment

It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the references cited in the International Search Report (not presently available to the undersigned), the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by § 371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon request.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	28	-	20	=	8	x	\$18.00	=	\$144.00
Independent claims	1	-	3	=		x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$860.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee									\$270.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>									<b>\$1274.00</b>
<b>Recordation of Assignment</b>									<b>\$40.00</b>
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<b>\$1314.00</b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$1274.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from May 18, 1999 based on Japanese Application No. P. Hei. 11-137876.

Respectfully submitted,

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